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- 1. FONMIN DE LA FLOR TELLS ME THAT HE HAD A LENGTHY CONVERSATION WITH THE SOUTH KOREAN FONMIN IN NEW YORK AND EXPLAINED HIS GOVERNMENT'S POSITION IN DETAIL.
- 2. DE LA FLOR SAID THAT PERU'S EFFORTS IN NEW YORK WOULD BE DEVOTED TO "WEAKENING" THE ALGERIAN TEXT. HE SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT MIGHT FIND IT POSSIBLE TO ABSTAIN ON THE ALGERIAN RESOLUTION IF IT TURNED OUT THAT A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF THE SO-CALLED NON-ALIGNED NATIONS DID NOT SUPPORT IT. HOWEVER, IF ONLY A SMALL NUMBER OF NATIONS WHICH HAD ATTENDED THE ALGERIAN CONFERENCE FAILED TO SUPPORT THE RESOLTUTION, PERU WOULD NOT FIND IT POSSIBLE TO "ABDICATE ITS RESPONSIBILITIES" TO THE GROUP.

 3. WITH REGARD TO THE POSSIBILITY OF UN MEMBERSHIP FOR BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA, THE MINISTER SAID THAT HE DID NOT DISCUSS THIS IN NEW YORK, BUT THAT HE HAD ASKED THAT A STUDY BE MADE BY HIS STAFF ON THE POSSIBILITY.

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4. IN THE REFERENCE TO THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN

FORCES AND THE USE OF THE UN FLAG IN THE ALGERIAN RESOLUTION, DE LA FLOR SPECULATED THAT AS LONG AS THERE WAS NO DATE FIXED IN THE RESOLUTION THE UN SECGEN WOULD BE FREE TO USE HIS OWN JUDGEMENT AS TO WHEN HE SHOULD TAKE ACTION. IT DID NOT CONSIDER IT POLITE TO POINT OUT THAT UNGA RESOLUTION WOULD HAVE NO LEGAL EFFECT ON UNG WHICH CREATED BY SECURITY COUNCIL. PERHAPS THIS ASPECT OF THE QUESTION COULD BE EXPLORED FURTHER WITH PEUVIAN DELEGATION.

5. THE FONMIN FU#THAT HE HAD TOLD HIS SOUTH KOREAN COLLEAGUE THAT THE GOP APPRECIATED THE FACT THAT THE NORTH KOREANS ENJOY STRETEGIC ADVANTAGE IN THAT THEIR COUNTRY WAS CONTIGUOUS WITH CHINA WHEREAS SOUTH KOREA'S SUPPLY LINES EXTENDED OVERSEAS. WHAT PERU WANTED WAS A RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD NOT GIVE AN ADVANTAGE TO EITHER SIDE. BELCHER

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